

REMARKS**I. Status of the Claims:**

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-23 are canceled and new claims 24-33 will be pending. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter. Thus, entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

II. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 12, 13, 17 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,120,156 to Akiyama (“Akiyama”). These claims have been canceled, thereby rendering this rejection moot. However, Applicants assert that new claims 24-33 are distinguishable over Akiyama, which discloses that light is reflected twice at same surface (surfaces R3 and R5).

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims and allowance of this application.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 13-4503, Order No. 1232-5088.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 13-4503, Order No. 1232-5088.

Respectfully submitted,
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